

Appl. No.: 10/637,711  
Attorney Docket No.: 4027 P 009  
Reply to Office Action of March 31, 2005

**REMARKS**

**Summary of the Official Action and Reply**

In the Official Action, claims 9-20 were allowed. Claims 1-8 were rejected under 35 U.S.C. 103(a).

By this Reply, Applicant has canceled claims 1-8, leaving only the allowable claims 9-20. All remaining pending claims have been indicated as allowable by the Examiner, and Applicant respectfully requests the mailing of a Notice of Allowability at the Examiner's earliest convenience.

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### CONCLUSION

In view of these Amendments and Remarks, Applicant respectfully submits that each of the pending claims are patentable over the cited prior art, and are in a condition for allowance. In the event that any matter in the present application could be addressed by Examiner's Amendment, the Examiner is urged to contact the undersigned attorney.

Respectfully submitted,

Dated: June 30, 2005

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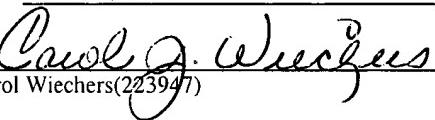


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